INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

JUNE 30, 2008

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Officials

Name	<u>Title</u>		Term <u>Expires</u>
Tom McCann Michael J. King Ron Riley Robert G. Brown Donald W. Irelan	Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors		Jan. 2011 Jan. 2011 Jan. 2011 Jan. 2009 Jan. 2009
Sandy Hysell	County Auditor		Jan. 2009
Linda Marley Kelly Busch	County Treasurer County Treasurer	(Resigned June 1, 2008) (Appointed June 5, 2008)	Jan. 2011
Paula White	County Recorder		Jan. 2011
Rick L. Piel	County Sheriff		Jan. 2009
Timothy R. Kenyon	County Attorney		Jan. 2011
Steven Gene Haner	County Assessor		Jan. 2010

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Officials of Union County:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Union County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Union County's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Union County as of June 30, 2008 and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated March 27, 2009 on our consideration of Union County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The budgetary comparison information on pages 42 through 44 is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The County has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis which introduces the basic financial statements by presenting certain financial information as well as management's analytical insights on that information that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Union County's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the two years ended June 30, 2007 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements. The financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2005 (which are not presented herein) were audited by other auditors who expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 7, including the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, <u>Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations</u>, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Oskaloosa, Iowa March 27, 2009 **Basic Financial Statements**

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS June 30, 2008

	(-	Governmental Activities
Assets		
Cash and pooled investments	\$	3,633,223
Receivables:		
Property tax:		
Delinquent		19,192
Succeeding year		4,424,000
Interest and penalty on property tax		55,649
Accounts		97,765
Accrued interest		12,382
Due from other governments		230,651
Inventories		176,034
Solid waste disposal revenue bonds receivable (note 4)		1,450,000
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation (note 5)	_	8,381,996
Total assets	_	18,480,892
Liabilities		
Accounts payable		743,796
Salaries and benefits payable		114,166
Due to other governments (note 6)		788,538
Accrued interest payable		18,569
Incurred but not reported claims		95,000
Deferred revenue:		72,000
Succeeding year property tax		4,424,000
Other		179,331
Long-term liabilities (note 7):		,
Portion due or payable within one year:		
Capital lease purchase agreement		28,949
General obligation bonds		375,000
General obligation County purpose notes		245,000
General obligation solid waste disposal notes		50,000
Rural development loan		3,425
Compensated absences		118,760
Portion due or payable after one year:		
General obligation bonds		3,237,105
General obligation County purpose notes		865,000
General obligation solid waste disposal notes		1,400,000
Rural development loan	_	10,300
Total liabilities	_	12,696,939

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS June 30, 2008

	-	Governmental Activities	
Net Assets			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$	4,469,382	
Restricted for:			
Supplemental levy purposes		215,648	
Rural services		217,859	
Secondary roads		446,411	
Capital projects		7,334	
Other special revenue purposes		557,155	
Unrestricted	-	(129,836)	
Total net assets	\$_	5,783,953	

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended June 30, 2008

Functions/Programs		Expenses	Charges for Services	Pr	ogram Revenue Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and and Changes in Net Assets
Governmental Activities:							
Public safety and legal services Physical health and social	\$	1,286,696	\$ 105,506	\$	22,175	- 9	6 (1,159,015)
services		397,904	27,078		135,820	-	(235,006)
Mental health		1,844,765	4,768		917,306	=	(922,691)
County environment and		, ,	,		,		, , ,
education		529,753	124,803		54,887	-	(350,063)
Roads and transportation		3,321,725	42,290		2,198,098	667,199	(414,138)
Government services to			,		, ,	•	, , ,
residents		414,632	230,800		-	-	(183,832)
Administration		1,350,537	22,688		=	=	(1,327,849)
Interest on long-term debt		197,958	· -		=	=	(197,958)
Total	\$_	9,343,970	\$ 557,933	\$	3,328,286	667,199	(4,790,552)
General Revenues:							
Property and other county tax levi	ied fo	or:					2 422 0 40
General purposes							3,423,049
Debt service							395,785
Tax increment financing							242,083
Penalty and interest on property to	ax						47,716
State tax credits							219,829
Local option sales and services ta	X						458,848
Unrestricted investment earnings							135,917
Miscellaneous							104,584
Total general revenues							5,027,811
Change in net assets							237,259
Net assets beginning of year							5,546,694
Net assets end of year						\$	5,783,953

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BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2008

			S ₁	pecial Revenue	
	_	General	Mental Health	Rural Services	Secondary Roads
Assets					
Cash and pooled investments	\$	546,309 \$	451,485 \$	226,359 \$	929,645
Receivables:					
Property tax:					
Delinquent		12,772	3,853	1,940	-
Succeeding year		2,187,000	711,000	718,000	-
Interest and penalty on property tax		55,649	-	-	-
Accounts		27,220	4,768	-	-
Accrued interest		10,719	-	-	-
Due from other governments		33,921	-	22,059	174,671
Inventories	_	-	-	-	176,034
Total assets	\$ _	2,873,590 \$	1,171,106 \$	968,358 \$	1,280,350
Liabilities and Fund Balances					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	70,785 \$	35,227 \$	18,463 \$	527,121
Salaries and benefits payable		55,374	428	7,898	50,466
Due to other governments (note 6)		22,103	766,435	_	-
Deferred revenue:					
Succeeding year property tax		2,187,000	711,000	718,000	-
Other		68,421	3,853	1,940	179,331
Total liabilities	_	2,403,683	1,516,943	746,301	756,918
Fund balances:					
Reserved for:					
Inventories					176,034
Supplemental levy purposes		214,720	_	_	170,034
Debt service		214,720	_	_	
Unreserved, reported in:					
General fund		255,187	_	_	_
Special revenue funds		233,107	(345,837)	222,057	347,398
Capital projects fund		_	-		-
Total fund balances	_	469,907	(345,837)	222,057	523,432
	_				
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$_	2,873,590 \$	1,171,106 \$	968,358 \$	1,280,350

Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 1,211,428 \$	3,365,226
627 808,000	19,192 4,424,000 55,649
11,051	43,039
709	11,428
-	230,651
-	176,034
\$ 2,031,815 \$	8,325,219
\$ 92,200 \$	743,796
-	114,166 788,538
_	766,556
808,000	4,424,000
627	254,172
900,827	6,324,672
_	176,034
-	214,720
15,668	15,668
-	255,187
557,155	780,773
558,165	558,165
1,130,988	2,000,547
\$ 2,031,815 \$	8,325,219

RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS June 30, 2008

Total fund balances of governmental funds	\$	2,000,547
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:		
Solid waste disposal revenue bonds receivable are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.		1,450,000
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds. The cost of assets is \$12,293,678 and the accumulated depreciation is \$3,911,682.		8,381,996
Other long-term assets are not available to pay current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the governmental funds.		74,841
The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of the self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Fund are included in governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets.		228,677
Accrued interest payable on long-term liabilities is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported as a liability in the governmental funds.		(18,569)
Long-term liabilities, including capital lease purchase agreements, bonds, notes and loans payable and compensated absences payable, are not due payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds.	_	(6,333,539)
Net assets of governmental activities	\$_	5,783,953

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2008

			Sp	ecial Revenue	
	_	General	Mental Health	Rural Services	Secondary Roads
Revenues:					
Property and other County tax	\$	2,179,697 \$	709,948 \$	762,419 \$	229,424
Interest and penalty on property tax		41,892	=	- -	· -
Intergovernmental		225,294	957,955	92,299	2,200,386
Licenses and permits		2,417	-	16,075	2,633
Charges for service		415,656	-	631	250
Use of money and property		104,265	-	_	_
Miscellaneous		24,265	4,768	347	37,120
Total revenues	_	2,993,486	1,672,671	871,771	2,469,813
Expenditures: Operating:					
Public safety and legal services		1,186,237	-	67,848	_
Physical health and social services		226,166	-	117,865	_
Mental health		, -	1,844,765	, -	_
County environment and education		348,370	-	85,217	_
Roads and transportation		, -	_	56,785	3,161,272
Government services to residents		397,064	-	, -	_
Administration		926,442	-	-	-
Debt service		-	-	_	_
Capital projects		=	-	_	70,786
Total expenditures	_	3,084,279	1,844,765	327,715	3,232,058
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)					
expenditures	_	(90,793)	(172,094)	544,056	(762,245)
Other financing sources (uses):					
Interfund transfers in (note 3)		_	_	_	538,780
Interfund transfers out (note 3)		(49,905)	_	(488,875)	_
General obligation note proceeds		-	_	-	_
Total other financing sources (uses)	_	(49,905)	-	(488,875)	538,780
Net change in fund balances		(140,698)	(172,094)	55,181	(223,465)
Fund balances beginning of year	_	610,605	(173,743)	166,876	746,897
Fund balances end of year	\$_	469,907 \$	(345,837) \$	222,057 \$	523,432

Nonmajor

(Governmental	
	Funds	Total
_		
\$	638,755 \$	4,520,243
	-	41,892
	123,267	3,599,201
	-	21,125
	85,819	502,356
	31,276	135,541
_	10,819	77,319
_	889,936	8,897,677
	_	1,254,085
	73,821	417,852
	75,021	1,844,765
	2,350	435,937
	2,330	3,218,057
	2,679	399,743
	2,077	926,442
	644,425	644,425
	616,353	687,139
_	1,339,628	9,828,445
_	1,337,020	7,020,443
_	(449,692)	(930,768)
	14,168	552,948
	(14,168)	(552,948)
	696,500	696,500
_	696,500	696,500
-	070,300	070,500
	246,808	(234,268)
_	884,180	2,234,815
\$_	1,130,988 \$	2,000,547

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended June 30, 2008

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds			\$ (234,268)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:			
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets. The amount of capital outlay expenditures and depreciation expense in the current year are as follows:			
Expenditures for capital assets Capital assets contributed by the Iowa Department of Transportation Depreciation expense	\$	626,855 667,199 (584,038)	710,016
Because some revenues will not be collected for several months after the County's year end, they are not considered available revenues and are deferred in the governmental funds, as follows:			
Property tax Other	_	(479) 5,824	5,345
Proceeds from issuing long-term liabilities provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.			(700,000)
Repayments of purchase agreement, bond, note, and loan principal are expenditures in the governmental funds, but the repayments reduce long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.			454,910
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, as follows:			
Compensated absences Interest on long-term debt	_	29,769 (2,342)	27,427
The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of the self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. The change in net assets of the Internal Service Fund is reported			(0.5.17.1)
with governmental activities.			 (26,171)
Change in net assets of governmental activities			\$ 237,259

Internal

UNION COUNTY

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUND June 30, 2008

	<u>(</u>	Service - Employee Group Health
Assets		
Cash and investments	\$	267,997
Receivables:		
Accounts		54,726
Accrued interest	_	954
Total assets	_	323,677
Liabilities		
2.40		
Incurred but not reported claims		95,000
1	_	
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	\$ <u></u>	228,677

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUND Year Ended June 30, 2008

	_	Internal Service - Employee Group Health
Operating revenues: Reimbursements from operating funds Reimbursements from employees and retirees Insurance reimbursements Total operating revenues	\$	772,720 107,093 48,356 928,169
Operating expenses: Medical claims Insurance premiums Administrative fees Miscellaneous Total operating expenses	-	706,136 174,972 66,620 17,620 965,348
Operating loss		(37,179)
Non-operating revenues: Interest on investments	-	11,008
Net loss		(26,171)
Net assets beginning of year	_	254,848
Net assets end of year	\$	228,677

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Internal Service - Employee Group Health
Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from operating fund reimbursements	\$ 746,220
Cash received from employees and retirees Cash received from insurance reimbursements	105,236 67,265
Cash payments to suppliers for services	(975,348)
Net cash used by operating activities	(56,627)
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest on investments	13,430
Redemption of investments	180,000
Purchase of investments	(101,222) 92,208
Net cash provided by investing activities	92,208
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	35,581
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	111,194_
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$146,775
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used by operating activities:	
Operating loss	\$ (37,179)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used by operating activities:	
(Increase) in accounts receivable	(9,448)
(Decrease) in incurred but not reported claims	(10,000)
Net cash used by operating activities	\$ (56,627)
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at year end to specific assets	
included on Statement of Net Assets:	
Cash and investments	\$ 267,997
Less items not meeting the definition of a cash equivalent:	
Certificates of deposit	(121,222)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 146,775

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS June 30, 2008

Assets

Cash and pooled investments:	
County Treasurer	\$ 2,278,897
Other County officials	37,282
Receivables:	
Property tax:	
Delinquent	47,283
Succeeding year	9,606,000
Accounts	83,369
Accrued interest	32,470
Due from other governments	17,487
Total assets	\$ <u>12,102,788</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 254,434
Salaries and benefits payable	10,402
Due to other governments (note 6)	11,767,132
Trusts payable	63,494
Compensated absences	7,326
Total liabilities	\$ <u>12,102,788</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Union County is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The County operates under the Board of Supervisors form of government. Elections are on a partisan basis. Other elected officials operate independently with the Board of Supervisors. These officials are the Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Sheriff, and Attorney. The County provides numerous services to citizens, including law enforcement, health and social services, parks and cultural activities, planning and zoning, roadway construction and maintenance, and general administrative services.

The County's financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Union County has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The County has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the County are such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the County to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the County. Union County has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

Jointly Governed Organizations – The County also participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the County but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The County Board of Supervisors are members of or appoint representatives to the following boards and commissions: Union County Assessor's Conference Board and Union County Emergency Management Commission. Financial transactions of these organizations are included in the County's financial statements only to the extent of the County's fiduciary relationship with the organization and, as such, are reported in the Agency Funds of the County.

The County also participates in the following jointly governed organizations: Prairie Solid Waste Agency, Creston-Union Law Enforcement Commission, South Iowa Area Detention Service Agency, South Central Iowa Regional E911 Service Board and Union County Development Association.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements – The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the County and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are supported by property tax, intergovernmental revenues and other nonexchange transactions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

B. Basis of Presentation (continued)

The Statement of Net Assets presents the County's nonfiduciary assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Net assets are reported in three categories:

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes, and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources that are imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. All general tax revenues and other revenues not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Mental Health Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues designated to be used to fund mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services.

The Rural Services Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues to provide services which are primarily intended to benefit those persons residing in the County outside of incorporated city areas.

The Secondary Roads Fund is used to account for secondary road construction and maintenance.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

B. Basis of Presentation (continued)

Additionally, the County reports the following funds:

Proprietary Fund - An Internal Service Fund is used to account for the financing of goods or services purchased by one department of the County and provided to other departments or agencies on a cost reimbursement basis.

Fiduciary Funds - Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals, private organizations, certain jointly governed organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature, assets equal liabilities, and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax is recognized as revenue in the year for which it is levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences are recorded as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term liabilities and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County funds certain programs by a combination of specific costreimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, and then by general revenues.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (continued)

The proprietary fund of the County applies all applicable GASB pronouncements as well as the following pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements: Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedure.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the County's internal service fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for internal service funds include the cost of services and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The County maintains its financial records on the cash basis. The financial statements of the County are prepared by making memorandum adjusting entries to the cash basis financial records.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

Cash, Pooled Investments and Cash Equivalents – The cash balances of most County funds are pooled and invested. Interest earned on investments is recorded in the General Fund, unless otherwise provided by law. Investments are stated at fair value except for the investment in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust, which is valued at amortized cost, and non-negotiable certificates of deposit, which are stated at cost.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, they have a maturity date no longer than three months. Cash investments not meeting the definition of cash equivalents at June 30, 2008 included \$121,222 of certificates of deposit with maturity dates longer than three months.

Property Tax Receivable – Property tax in Governmental Funds is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date that the tax asking is certified by the County Board of Supervisors. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Supervisors to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the Board of Supervisors is required to certify its budget in March of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking and budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is deferred in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity (continued)

The property tax revenue recognized in these funds becomes due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1 ½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2006 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified by the County Board of Supervisors in March 2007.

Interest and Penalty on Property Tax Receivable – Interest and penalty on property tax receivable represents the amount of interest and penalty that was due and payable but has not been collected.

Due from Other Governments – Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Iowa, various shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments.

Inventories – Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method. Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for consumption. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Capital Assets – Capital assets, which include property, equipment and vehicles, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and similar items which are immovable and of value only to the County), are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Assets. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Reportable capital assets are defined by the County as assets with initial, individual costs in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	 Amount
Infrastructure	\$ 65,000
Land, buildings and improvements	25,000
Equipment and vehicles	5,000

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity (continued)

Capital assets of the County are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Estimated
Asset Class	Useful Lives (In Years)
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Buildings	10-50
Improvements other than buildings	25-50
Infrastructure	10-65
Equipment	3-20
Vehicles	5-15

Due to Other Governments – Due to other governments represents taxes and other revenues collected by the County and payments for services which will be remitted to other governments.

Trusts Payable – Trusts payable represents amounts due to others which are held by various County officials in fiduciary capacities until the underlying legal matters are resolved.

Deferred Revenue – Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue in the governmental fund financial statements represents the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue consists of unspent grant proceeds, the succeeding year property tax receivable, delinquent property tax receivables and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end.

Deferred revenue in the Statement of Net Assets consists of unspent grant proceeds and the succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Long-term Liabilities – In the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities or proprietary fund Statement of Net Assets. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the governmental fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity (continued)

Compensated Absences – County employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is recorded in the governmental fund financial statements only for employees that have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2008. The compensated absences liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General, Rural Services and Secondary Roads Funds.

Fund Balances – In the governmental fund financial statements, reservations of fund balance are reported for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

Restricted Net Assets – In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Net assets restricted through enabling legislation as of June 30, 2008 consists of \$1,444,407.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2008, disbursements did not exceed the amounts budgeted in any County function. However, disbursements in the water grid department exceeded the amount appropriated.

Note 2. Cash and Pooled Investments

The County's deposits in banks at June 30, 2008 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. The chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The County is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Supervisors; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 2. Cash and Pooled Investments (continued)

At June 30, 2008, the County had the following investments:

	Amortized Cost/ Fair Value
Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust U.S. government bonds	\$ 1,200,201 4,000
	\$ 1,204,201

The investments in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust are valued at amortized cost pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The U.S. government bonds are stated at fair value.

Credit Risk – The investment in Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust is unrated.

Note 3. Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2008 is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from		Amount
Special Revenue: Secondary Roads	General	\$	49,905
	Special Revenue: Rural Services		488,875
Capital Projects	Resource Enhancement and Protection		3,295
	Conservation Land Acquisition	_	10,873
		\$_	552,948

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 4. Solid Waste Disposal Revenue Bonds Receivable

During the year ended June 30, 2008, the County received \$1,500,000 of solid waste disposal revenue bonds from the Prairie Solid Waste Agency (Agency), which is reported as an Agency Fund of the County. The revenue bonds were received in exchange for the proceeds of the general obligation solid waste disposal notes issued by the County (note 7). The solid waste disposal revenues bonds receivable have the same payment schedule as the County's solid waste disposal notes payable and are payable only from the future solid waste collection fees of the Agency.

A summary of the County's solid waste disposal revenue bonds receivable is as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates		Principal		Interest	Total
2009	4.100 %	\$	50,000	\$	61,204 \$	111,204
2010	4.100	_	55,000	_	59,154	114,154
2011	4.100		55,000		56,899	111,899
2012	4.100		60,000		54,644	114,644
2013	4.100		60,000		52,184	112,184
2014	4.100		65,000		49,724	114,724
2015	4.100		65,000		47,059	112,059
2016	4.150		70,000		44,394	114,394
2017	4.150		70,000		41,489	111,489
2018	4.150		75,000		38,584	113,584
2019	4.200		75,000		35,471	110,471
2020	4.200		80,000		32,321	112,321
2021	4.200		85,000		28,961	113,961
2022	4.300		85,000		25,391	110,391
2023	4.300		90,000		21,736	111,736
2024	4.300		95,000		17,866	112,866
2025	4.375		100,000		13,781	113,781
2026	4.375		105,000		9,406	114,406
2027	4.375		110,000		4,812	114,812
		\$	1,450,000	\$	695,080 \$	2,145,080

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 5. Capital Assets

A summary of capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2008 is as follows:

	Be	alance ginning f Year	Increases	Decreases	Balance End of Year
Governmental activities:					
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$	253,619 \$	-	\$\$	253,619
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Buildings	1,	895,987	48,800	-	1,944,787
Improvements other than buildings		48,202	-		48,202
Machinery and equipment	3,	148,066	578,055	345,541	3,380,580
Infrastructure	5,	999,291	667,199	_	6,666,490
Total capital assets being depreciated	11,	091,546	1,294,054	345,541	12,040,059
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings	1.	145,995	96,393	_	1,242,388
Improvements other than buildings	-,	9,439	2,360	_	11,799
Machinery and equipment	2	183,370	233,241	345,541	2,071,070
Infrastructure		334,381	252,044	-	586,425
Total accumulated depreciation		673,185	584,038	345,541	3,911,682
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	7	418,361	710,016		8,128,377
Total capital assets being depreciated, liet		+10,501	/10,010	-	0,120,377
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 7,	671,980 \$	710,016	\$\$	8,381,996

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 5. Capital Assets (continued)

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions:

Governmental activities:	
Public safety and legal services	\$ 22,435
Physical health and social services	28,513
County environment and education	75,281
Roads and transportation	411,623
Government services to residents	11,000
Administration	 35,186
	 _
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 584,038

Note 6. Due to Other Governments

The County purchases services from other governmental units and also acts as a fee and tax collection agent for various governmental units. Tax collections are remitted to those governments in the month following collection. A summary of amounts due to other governments is as follows:

Fund	Description		Amount
General	Services	\$	22,103
Special Revenue: Mental Health		-	766,435
Total for governmental funds		\$	788,538
Agency: County Assessor County Hospital Schools Community Colleges Corporations Auto License and Use Tax Prairie Solid Waste Agency All Other	Collections	\$	250,014 1,114,568 5,432,346 257,628 2,570,300 211,829 1,590,868 339,579
Total for agency funds		\$	11,767,132

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 7. Long-Term Liabilities

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2008 is as follows:

		Balance Beginning				Balance End		Due Within
	_	of Year		Increases	Decreases	of Year	_	One Year
Capital Lease Purchase								
Agreement	\$	56,558	\$	- \$	27,609	28,949	\$	28,949
General Obligation Bonds *		3,930,981		-	318,876	3,612,105		375,000
General Obligation County								
Purpose Notes		515,000		700,000	105,000	1,110,000		245,000
General Obligation Solid Waste								
Disposal Notes		-		1,500,000	50,000	1,450,000		50,000
Rural Development Loan		17,150		-	3,425	13,725		3,425
Compensated Absences		148,529		118,760	148,529	118,760		118,760
								_
Total	\$_	4,668,218	\$_	2,318,760 \$	653,439	6,333,539	\$_	821,134

^{* =} net of deferred amortization costs

Capital Lease Purchase Agreement

The County has entered into a capital lease purchase agreement to lease a John Deere motor grader with a historical cost of \$165,000. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments, including interest of 4.75% per annum, and the present value of net minimum lease payments under the agreement in effect at June 30, 2008:

Year Ending June 30,	 Total
2009	\$ 30,354
Less amount representing interest	 (1,405)
Present value of net minimum lease payments	\$ 28,949

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 7. Long-Term Liabilities (continued)

General Obligation Urban Renewal Refunding Bonds Payable

A summary of the County's June 30, 2008 general obligation urban renewal refunding bonded indebtedness is as follows:

Year Ending	Interest				
June 30,	Rates		Principal	Interest	Total
2009	3.250 %	\$	375,000 \$	143,561 \$	518,561
2010	3.250		385,000	131,374	516,374
2011	3.400		400,000	118,861	518,861
2012	3.600		415,000	105,261	520,261
2013	3.750		425,000	90,321	515,321
2014	3.875		445,000	74,384	519,384
2015	3.900		460,000	57,140	517,140
2016	4.000		480,000	39,200	519,200
2017	4.000	_	500,000	20,000	520,000
		_			
		\$_	3,885,000 \$	780,102 \$	4,665,102

During the year ended June 30, 2004, the County performed an advance refunding of the old general obligation capital loan notes dated 1997 and 1998. The advance refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price of the new debt and the net carrying amount of the old debt. This difference, reported in the accompanying financial statements as a deduction from general obligation bonds, is being amortized through the year 2014 using the straight line method. Deferred amortization costs totaled \$272,895 at June 30, 2008. Amortization expense totaled \$46,124 for the current year.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 7. Long-Term Liabilities (continued)

General Obligation County Purpose Notes Payable

During the year ended June 30, 2008, the County issued \$700,000 of general obligation County purpose notes for the purpose of paying legal costs related to urban renewal bonds.

A summary of the County's June 30, 2008 general obligation County purpose note indebtedness is as follows:

Year	Issue dated May 1, 2007				Issue dated April 1, 2008				
Ending	Interest				Interest				
June 30,	Rates	Principal	Interest	Total	Rates	Principal	Interest	Total	
2009	3.65 % \$	115,000 \$	15,422 \$	130,422	2.75 % \$	130,000 \$	24,655 \$	154,655	
2010	3.70	120,000	11,225	131,225	2.90	135,000	17,557	152,557	
2011	3.75	60,000	6,785	66,785	3.00	140,000	13,643	153,643	
2012	3.80	60,000	4,535	64,535	3.15	145,000	9,443	154,443	
2013	4.00	10,000	2,255	12,255	3.25	150,000	4,875	154,875	
2014	4.00	10,000	1,855	11,855	-	-	-	-	
2015	4.10	10,000	1,455	11,455	-	-	-	-	
2016	4.15	10,000	1,045	11,045	-	-	-	-	
2017	4.20	15,000	630	15,630	-		-	_	
	\$	410,000 \$	45,207 \$	455,207	\$	700,000 \$	70,173 \$	770,173	

Year		Total							
Ending June 30,		Principal		Interest		Total			
2009	\$	245,000	\$	40,077	\$	285,077			
2010		255,000		28,782		283,782			
2011		200,000		20,428		220,428			
2012		205,000		13,978		218,978			
2013		160,000		7,130		167,130			
2014		10,000		1,855		11,855			
2015		10,000		1,455		11,455			
2016		10,000		1,045		11,045			
2017		15,000		630		15,630			
	\$	1,110,000	\$	115,380	\$	1,225,380			

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 7. Long-Term Liabilities (continued)

General Obligation Solid Waste Disposal Notes Payable

During the year ended June 30, 2008, the County issued \$1,500,000 of general obligation solid waste disposal notes. The proceeds went to the Prairie Solid Waste Agency, reported as an Agency Fund of the County, in exchange for \$1,500,000 of solid waste disposal revenue bonds (note 4).

A summary of the County's June 30, 2008 general obligation solid waste disposal notes is as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates		Principal		Interest	Total
			<u>-</u>			
2009	4.100 %	\$	50,000	\$	61,204 \$	111,204
2010	4.100		55,000		59,154	114,154
2011	4.100		55,000		56,899	111,899
2012	4.100		60,000		54,644	114,644
2013	4.100		60,000		52,184	112,184
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2017	4.150		70,000		41,489	111,489
2018	4.150		75,000		38,584	113,584
2019	4.200		75,000		35,471	110,471
2020	4.200		80,000		32,321	112,321
2021	4.200		85,000		28,961	113,961
2022	4.300		85,000		25,391	110,391
2023	4.300		90,000		21,736	111,736
2024	4.300		95,000		17,866	112,866
2025	4.375		100,000		13,781	113,781
2026	4.375		105,000		9,406	114,406
2027	4.375	_	110,000		4,812	114,812
		\$_	1,450,000	\$_	695,080 \$	2,145,080

Rural Development Loan

On July 25, 2002, the County entered into an interest-free loan agreement with Farmers Electric Cooperative, Inc. of Greenfield, Iowa. The County borrowed \$24,000 to help finance the expansion and renovation of Three Mile Lake Lodge operated by the Union County Conservation Board.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 7. Long-Term Liabilities (continued)

Rural Development Loan (continued)

A summary of the County's June 30, 2008 rural development loan indebtedness is as follows:

Year Ending June 30,		Principal
June 30,	_	Timerpar
2009	\$	3,425
2010		3,425
2011		3,425
2012		3,450
	_	_
	\$_	13,725

Note 8. Pension and Retirement Benefits

The County contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117.

Most regular plan members are required to contribute 3.90% of their annual covered salary and the County is required to contribute 6.05% of covered salary. Certain employees in special risk occupations and the County contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The County's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$148,238, \$135,203 and \$129,368, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Note 9. Risk Management

Union County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The County assumes liability for any deductible and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Note 10. Employee Health Insurance Plan

The Union County Employee Group Health Fund was established to account for the self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan. The plan is funded by both employee and County contributions and is administered through a service agreement with American Administrators. The agreement is subject to automatic renewal provisions. The County assumes liability for claims up to the individual stop loss limitation of \$25,000. Claims in excess of coverage are insured through the purchase of stop loss insurance.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Note 10. Employee Health Insurance Plan (continued)

Monthly payments of service fees and plan contributions to the Union County Employee Group Health Fund are recorded as expenditures from the operating funds. Under the administrative services agreement, monthly payments of service fees and claims processed are paid to American Administrators from the Union County Employee Group Health Fund. The County records the plan assets and related liabilities of the Union County Health Insurance Fund as an Internal Service Fund. The County's contribution to the fund for the year ended June 30, 2008 was \$772,720.

Amounts payable from the Employee Group Health Fund at June 30, 2008 total \$95,000, which is for incurred but not reported (IBNR) and reported but not paid claims. The amounts are based on actuarial estimates of the amounts necessary to pay prior year and current year claims, and to establish a reserve for catastrophic losses. That reserve was \$228,677 at June 30, 2008 and is reported as net assets of the Employee Group Health Fund. A liability has been established based on the requirements of Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, which requires that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Settlements have not exceeded the stop-loss coverage in any of the past three years. A reconciliation of changes in the aggregate liabilities for claims for the current year is as follows:

Unpaid claims at July 1, 2007	\$ 105,000
Incurred claims (including claims incurred but not reported at June 30, 2008)	706,136
Claims paid	716,136
Unpaid claims at June 30, 2008	\$ 95,000

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Required Supplementary Information

Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Balances – Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) – All Governmental Funds Required Supplementary Information Year Ended June 30, 2008

					Final to
		<u> </u>	Budgeted A		Actual
	_	Actual	Original	Final	Variance
RECEIPTS:					
Property and other County tax	\$	4,520,209 \$	4,546,622 \$	4,546,622 \$	(26,413)
Interest and penalty on property tax	Ψ	41,892	30,600	30,600	11,292
Intergovernmental		3,869,933	2,818,386	3,600,606	269,327
Licenses and permits		22,152	23,820	23,820	(1,668)
Charges for service		427,216	391,196	391,196	36,020
Use of money and property		222,694	131,525	131,525	91,169
Miscellaneous		55,057	5,550	5,550	49,507
Total receipts		9,159,153	7,947,699	8,729,919	429,234
DISBURSEMENTS:					
Public safety and legal services		1,253,286	1,268,408	1,285,858	32,572
Physical health and social services		401,043	375,968	460,188	59,145
Mental health		1,353,175	1,389,354	1,389,354	36,179
County environment and education		432,963	410,428	453,528	20,565
Roads and transportation		2,924,372	2,626,628	3,286,428	362,056
Government services to residents		391,313	435,656	436,406	45,093
Administration		895,737	825,544	977,544	81,807
Debt service		644,575	649,544	649,544	4,969
Capital projects		671,232	503,130	1,268,130	596,898
Total disbursements		8,967,696	8,484,660	10,206,980	1,239,284
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under)					
disbursements		191,457	(536,961)	(1,477,061)	1,668,518
Other financing sources, net		696,500	493,500	1,193,500	(497,000)
Other imaliening sources, net	-	070,500	473,300	1,173,300	(477,000)
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other					
financing sources over (under)		007.057	(42.461)	(202.541)	1 171 510
disbursements and other financing uses		887,957	(43,461)	(283,561)	1,171,518
Balance beginning of year	_	2,477,269	1,268,444	1,268,444	1,208,825
Balance end of year	\$_	3,365,226 \$	1,224,983 \$	984,883 \$	2,380,343

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budget to GAAP Reconciliation Required Supplementary Information Year Ended June 30, 2008

		(Gov	ernmental Funds	
	_			Accrual	Modified
		Cash		Adjust-	Accrual
		Basis		ments	Basis
					_
Revenues	\$	9,159,153	\$	(261,476) \$	8,897,677
Expenditures		8,967,696		860,749	9,828,445
Net		191,457		(1,122,225)	(930,768)
Other financing sources, net		696,500		-	696,500
Beginning fund balances	_	2,477,269		(242,454)	2,234,815
Ending fund balances	\$_	3,365,226	\$_	(1,364,679) \$	2,000,547

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – BUDGETARY REPORTING June 30, 2008

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the County Board of Supervisors annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except blended component units, internal service funds, and agency funds, and appropriates the amount deemed necessary for each of the different County offices and departments. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. Encumbrances are not recognized on the cash basis budget and appropriations lapse at year end.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon ten major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund. These ten functions are: public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, mental health, county environment and education, roads and transportation, government services to residents, administration, non-program, debt service and capital projects. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. Legal budgetary control is also based upon the appropriation to each office or department. During the year, two budget amendments increased budgeted disbursements by \$1,722,320. These budget amendments are reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

In addition, annual budgets are similarly adopted in accordance with the Code of Iowa by the appropriate governing body as indicated: for the County Extension Office by the County Agricultural Extension Council, for the County Assessor by the County Conference Board and for Emergency Management Services by the County Emergency Management Commission.

During the year ended June 30, 2008, disbursements did not exceed the amounts budgeted in any County function. However, disbursements in the water grid department exceeded the amount appropriated.

Other Supplementary Information

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2008

			Special F	Revenue	
	_		Resource	County	
		Flood	Enhancement	Recorder's	Conservation
		and	and	Records	Land
		Erosion	Protection	Management	Acquisition
Assets					
Cash and pooled investments	\$	5,219 \$	41,051 \$	31,127 \$	33,057
Receivables:					
Property tax:					
Delinquent		-	-	-	-
Succeeding year		-	-	-	-
Accounts		-	-	232	10,819
Accrued interest	_	-	-	60	
Total assets	\$_	5,219 \$	41,051 \$	31,419 \$	43,876
Liabilities and Fund Balances					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Deferred revenue:					
Succeeding year property tax		_	_	-	-
Other		_	_	-	-
Total liabilities	_	-	-	-	
Fund balances:					
Reserved for:					
Debt service		_	_	_	-
Unreserved		5,219	41,051	31,419	43,876
Total fund balances	_	5,219	41,051	31,419	43,876
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$_	5,219 \$	41,051 \$	31,419 \$	43,876

_	Care Facility Trust	Care Facility Depreciation	Commissary	COOP Urban Renewal	_	Water Grid	Charitable/ Educational		Debt Service
\$	110,741	39,247	\$ 7,628	\$ 231,488	\$	12,876 \$	33,604	\$	15,668
	- - - 6	- - - -	- - - -	527,000		- - -	- - -		627 281,000
\$_	110,747	39,247	\$ 7,628	\$ 758,488	\$_	12,876 \$	33,604	\$_	297,295
\$	- \$	5 -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	- \$	-	\$	-
	-	- -	- -	527,000		-	- -		281,000 627
_	-		-	527,000		-	-		281,627
	110,747	39,247	7,628	231,488		12,876	33,604		15,668
- \$	110,747	39,247 39,247	\$ 7,628 7,628	\$ 231,488 758,488	\$	12,876 12,876 \$	33,604 33,604	\$	15,668 297,295

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2008

	_	Capital Projects	Total
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	\$	649,722 \$	1,211,428
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Delinquent		-	627
Succeeding year		-	808,000
Accounts		-	11,051
Accrued interest	_	643	709
Total assets	\$_	650,365 \$	2,031,815
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$	92,200 \$	92,200
Deferred revenue:			
Succeeding year property tax		-	808,000
Other		-	627
Total liabilities	_	92,200	900,827
Fund balances:			
Reserved for:			
Debt service		-	15,668
Unreserved		558,165	1,115,320
Total fund balances	_	558,165	1,130,988
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$_	650,365 \$	2,031,815

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COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2008

		Special Revenue					
	_	Flood and Erosion	Resource Enhancement and Protection	County Recorder's Records Management	Conservation Land Acquisition		
Revenues:							
Property and other County tax	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$			
Intergovernmental		6,900	16,406	-	28,851		
Charges for service		-	-	2,898	-		
Use of money and property		-	793	292	112		
Miscellaneous	_				10,819		
Total revenues	_	6,900	17,199	3,190	39,782		
Expenditures:							
Operating:							
Physical health and social services		-	-	-	-		
County environment and education		2,350	-	-	-		
Government services to residents		-	-	2,679	-		
Debt service		-	-	-	-		
Capital projects	_	-	-	-			
Total expenditures	_	2,350	-	2,679			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over (under) expenditures		4,550	17,199	511	39,782		
Other financing sources (uses):							
Interfund transfers in		-	-	-	-		
Interfund transfers out		-	(3,295)	-	(10,873)		
General obligation note proceeds	_	-	-	-			
Total other financing sources (uses)		-	(3,295)	-	(10,873)		
Net change in fund balances		4,550	13,904	511	28,909		
Fund balances beginning of year	_	669	27,147	30,908	14,967		
Fund balances end of year	\$	5,219 \$	41,051	31,419	43,876		

_	Care Facility Trust	Care Facility Depreciation	Commissary	COOP Urban Renewal	Water Grid	Charitable/ Educational	Debt Service
\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	S 242,083 \$	- \$ 5,500	- \$ 33,604	396,672 22,376
	4,705	82,921	1,372	11,216	88	-	-
_	4,705	82,921	1,372	253,299	5,588	33,604	419,048
	6,306	67,515					
	-	-	-	-	-	- -	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	229,200	-	-	415,225
_			-	-	3,821		
_	6,306	67,515	=	229,200	3,821	-	415,225
	(1,601)	15,406	1,372	24,099	1,767	33,604	3,823
	- -	- -	-	-	-	-	-
_	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
_	-	-	_	-	-	-	<u> </u>
	(1,601)	15,406	1,372	24,099	1,767	33,604	3,823
_	112,348	23,841	6,256	207,389	11,109	-	11,845
\$	110,747 \$	39,247 \$	7,628	S <u>231,488</u> \$	12,876 \$	33,604 \$	15,668

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2008

	_	Capital Projects	Total
Revenues:			
Property and other County tax	\$	- \$	638,755
Intergovernmental		9,630	123,267
Charges for service		-	85,819
Use of money and property		12,698	31,276
Miscellaneous		-	10,819
Total revenues		22,328	889,936
Expenditures:			
Operating:			
Physical health and social services		-	73,821
County environment and education		-	2,350
Government services to residents		-	2,679
Debt service		-	644,425
Capital projects		612,532	616,353
Total expenditures		612,532	1,339,628
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over (under) expenditures		(590,204)	(449,692)
Other financing sources (uses):			
Interfund transfers in		14,168	14,168
Interfund transfers out		-	(14,168)
General obligation note proceeds		696,500	696,500
Total other financing sources (uses)		710,668	696,500
Net change in fund balances		120,464	246,808
Fund balances beginning of year	_	437,701	884,180
Fund balances end of year	\$_	558,165 \$	1,130,988

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COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS June 30, 2008

		County Offices					
		County	County	County	Extension		
	_	Auditor	Recorder	Sheriff	Education		
ASSETS							
Cash and pooled investments:							
County Treasurer	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	1,612		
Other County officials		4,080	15,547	17,655	-		
Receivables:							
Property tax:							
Delinquent		-	-	-	521		
Succeeding year		-	-	-	107,000		
Accounts		-	-	-	-		
Accrued interest		-	-	-	-		
Due from other governments	_	-		-	-		
Total assets	\$ <u></u>	4,080 \$	15,547 \$	17,655 \$	109,133		
LIABILITIES							
Accounts payable	\$	- \$	8,158 \$	1 \$	_		
Salaries and benefits payable			-	-	_		
Due to other governments		-	7,389	-	109,133		
Trusts payable		4,080	-	17,654	-		
Compensated absences		-	-	<u> </u>	-		
Total liabilities	\$	4,080 \$	15,547 \$	17,655 \$	109,133		

-	County Assessor	County Hospital	Schools	Community Colleges	Townships	Corporations	City Special Assessments
\$	114,308 \$	17,813 \$	76,896 S	\$ 3,498	\$ 2,515 \$	26,191	1,456
	799 145,000 - -	5,755 1,091,000 -	26,450 5,329,000	1,130 253,000	513 148,000	12,109 2,532,000	- - - -
\$	260,107 \$	1,114,568	5,432,346	\$ 257,628	\$\$	2,570,300	31,456
\$	2,281 \$ 4,745 250,014 - 3,067	- \$ - 1,114,568 -	5,432,346	257,628	\$ - \$ 151,028	2,570,300	1,456
\$	260,107	1,114,568 \$	5,432,346	\$ 257,628	\$\$	2,570,300	5 1,456

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS June 30, 2008

	-	Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication	Auto License and Use Tax	Anatomical Gift, Public Awareness and Transportation	Prairie Solid Waste Agency
ASSETS					
Cash and pooled investments:					
County Treasurer	\$	287	\$ 211,829	\$ 2 \$	1,684,737
Other County officials Receivables:		-	-	-	-
Property tax:					
Delinquent		6	-	-	-
Succeeding year		1,000	-	-	-
Accounts		-	-	-	83,137
Accrued interest		-	-	-	32,142
Due from other governments	-		-	-	
Total assets	\$	1,293	\$ 211,829	\$\$	1,800,016
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable	\$	- :	\$ -	\$ - \$	205,172
Salaries and benefits payable		-	-	-	3,976
Due to other governments		1,293	211,829	2	1,590,868
Trusts payable		-	-	-	-
Compensated absences	-	-	-		
Total liabilities	\$_	1,293	\$ 211,829	\$ 2 \$	1,800,016

Б	Law Enforcement	Empowerment	Emarganay		Advance		Tax Sale	County Recorder's Electronic		
	Commission	Board	Emergency Management	_	Tax		Redemption	Transaction Fee	_	Total
\$	(10,406)	\$ 94,557	\$ 11,622	\$	41,750	\$	10	\$ 220	\$	2,278,897 37,282
	- - - -	- - - 328	- - -		- - -		- - -	232		47,283 9,606,000 83,369 32,470
	17,487	-	-		-		-	-		17,487
\$_	7,081	\$ 94,885	\$ 11,622	* =	41,750	\$_	10	\$ 452	\$	12,102,788
\$	6,188	\$ 31,608 - 63,277	\$ 1,026 1,681 4,656 4,259	\$	41,750	\$	- - - 10	\$ - 452	\$	254,434 10,402 11,767,132 63,494 7,326
\$	7,081	\$ 94,885	\$ 11,622	\$	41,750	\$_	10	\$ 452	\$	12,102,788

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2008

		Agricultural			
		County Auditor	County Offices County Recorder	County Sheriff	Extension Education
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES					
Balances beginning of year	\$_	4,080 \$	18,942 \$	19,258 \$	99,492
Additions:					
Property and other County tax		-	-	-	107,951
State tax credits		-	-	-	5,856
Contract law enforcement		-	-	-	-
Office fees and collections		=	211,069	42,273	-
Auto license, use tax, drivers license					
and postage		-	-	-	-
Solid waste fees		-	-	-	-
Interest		-	-	-	-
Assessments		-	-	-	-
Trusts		160	-	602,170	-
Solid waste disposal note proceeds		-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	_	_	-	-	
Total additions		160	211,069	644,443	113,807
Deductions:					
Agency remittances:					
To other funds		-	114,966	41,784	-
To other governments		-	99,498	539	104,166
Trusts paid out		160	-	603,723	-
Total deductions	_	160	214,464	646,046	104,166
Balances end of year	\$_	4,080 \$	15,547 \$	17,655 \$	109,133

_	County Assessor	County Hospital	Schools	Community Colleges	Townships	Corporations	City Special Assessments
\$ _	283,384 \$	1,103,376 \$	4,993,369 \$	216,380 \$	136,031 \$	2,355,287 \$	2,927
	146,225 8,976	1,097,413 64,700	5365195 285389	254,558 12,705	150,832 7,847	2,217,469 119,846	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,519
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	10,270	-	-	-	-	-	-
_	165,471	1,162,113	5,650,584	267,263	158,679	2,337,315	5,519
	188,748	1,150,921	5,211,607	226,015	143,682	2,122,302	6,990
_	188,748	1,150,921	5,211,607	226,015	143,682	2,122,302	6,990
\$	260,107 \$	1,114,568 \$	5,432,346 \$	257,628 \$	151,028 \$	2,570,300 \$	1,456

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication	Auto License and Use Tax	Anatomical Gift, Public Awareness and Transportation	Prairie Solid Waste Agency
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES				
Balances beginning of year	\$ 1,297 \$	244,332 \$	6 \$	1,493,873
Additions:				
Property and other County tax	1,145	-	-	-
State tax credits	69	-	-	-
Contract law enforcement	-	-	-	-
Office fees and collections	-	-	-	-
Auto license, use tax, drivers license				
and postage	-	2,821,653	-	-
Solid waste fees	-	-	-	918,260
Interest	-	-	-	77,077
Assessments	-	-	-	-
Trusts	-	-	-	-
Solid waste disposal note proceeds	-	-	-	1,489,062
Miscellaneous	-	-	118	62,358
Total additions	1,214	2,821,653	118	2,546,757
Deductions:				
Agency remittances:				
To other funds	_	117,811	-	-
To other governments	1,218	2,736,345	122	2,240,614
Trusts paid out	, -	-	-	-
Total deductions	1,218	2,854,156	122	2,240,614
Balances end of year	\$ 1,293 \$	211,829 \$	2 \$	1,800,016

Lav Enforce Commi	ement	Empowerment Board	Emergency Management	Advance Tax	Tax Sale Redemption	County Recorder's Electronic Transaction Fee	Total
\$	7,806	\$ 119,295	\$1,446	\$ 42,758	.\$\$	\$528_	\$_11,144,143
	-	-	-		-	-	9,340,788
	-	-	-	-	-	-	505,388
93	3,136	-	-	-	-	-	93,136
	-	-	-	-	-	2,898	256,240
	_	-	_		_	-	2,821,653
	_	-	-		-	-	918,260
	_	1,361	236	-	-	8	78,682
	_	-	-	-	-	-	5,519
	-	-	-	55,401	430,505	-	1,088,236
	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,489,062
2	2,309	269,351	83,881	-	-	-	428,287
95	5,445	270,712	84,117	55,401	430,505	2,906	17,025,251
	-	-	-		-	-	274,561
96	5,170	295,122	73,941	-	-	2,982	14,700,982
	-			56,409	430,771		1,091,063
96	5,170	295,122	73,941	56,409	430,771	2,982	16,066,606
\$	7,081	\$ 94,885	\$ 11,622	\$ 41,750	\$ 10	\$ 452	\$ 12,102,788

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION FUND Year Ended June 30, 2008

Additions:		
Contributions from other governmental units:		
Union County	\$ 46,568	
City of Creston	46,568 \$	93,136
Miscellaneous		2,309
		95,445
Deductions:		
Office supplies	4,253	
Telephone	12,688	
Computer software maintenance and upgrades	17,430	
Inmate supplies	2,289	
Contractual services	9,848	
Janitorial	4,117	
Utilities	29,786	
Sanitation	1,940	
Repairs and maintenance	9,376	
Insurance	1,435	
Equipment	1,898	
Miscellaneous	1,110	96,170
Net		(725)
Balance beginning of year	_	7,806
Balance end of year	\$	7,081

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES BY SOURCE AND EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION

ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS

		Modified Accrual Basis				
		2008	2007	2006	2005	
		_		_		
Revenues:						
Property and other County tax	\$	4,520,243 \$	4,175,010 \$	3,926,941 \$	3,499,594	
Interest and penalty on property tax		41,892	43,384	49,311	68,137	
Intergovernmental		3,599,201	2,864,507	2,816,113	3,071,775	
Licenses and permits		21,125	23,685	18,653	18,918	
Charges for service		502,356	425,628	420,238	424,541	
Use of money and property		135,541	182,316	152,784	107,413	
Miscellaneous	_	77,319	111,702	107,292	58,245	
Total	\$ =	8,897,677 \$	7,826,232 \$	7,491,332 \$	7,248,623	
Expenditures:						
Operating:						
Public safety and legal services	\$	1,254,085 \$	1,220,990 \$	1,171,759 \$	1,117,032	
Physical health and social services		417,852	283,170	345,669	297,102	
Mental health		1,844,765	1,640,412	1,573,478	1,389,755	
County environment and education		435,937	364,017	386,967	282,238	
Roads and transportation		3,218,057	2,740,437	2,271,050	2,397,005	
Government services to residents		399,743	383,077	505,397	332,205	
Administration		926,442	945,591	848,301	795,600	
Debt service		644,425	519,949	518,399	516,781	
Capital projects	_	687,139	238,820	540,593	95,516	
m . 1	_	0.000.445	0.005.450	0.151.510.*		
Total	\$_	9,828,445 \$	8,336,463 \$	8,161,613 \$	7,223,234	

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS Year Ended June 30, 2008

Grantor/Program	CFDA Number	Agency or Pass-through Number	Program Expenditures
Indirect:			
U.S. Department of Agriculture:			
Iowa Department of Human Services:			
Human Services Administrative Reimbursements:			
State Administrative Matching Grants for the			
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.561	FY 08	\$8,463_
U.S. Department of Homeland Security:			
Iowa Department of Public Defense:			
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially			
Declared Disasters)	97.036	DR1705	78,700
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially			
Declared Disasters)	97.036	DR1727	187,189
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially			
Declared Disasters)	97.036	DR1737	196,633
			462,522
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	FY 08	29,026
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:			
Iowa Department of Human Services:			
Human Services Administrative Reimbursements:			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	FY 08	9,178
Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds			
of the Child Care and Development Fund	93.596	FY 08	2,229
Foster Care - Title IV-E	93.658	FY 08	5,381
Adoption Assistance	93.659	FY 08	1,280
State Children's Insurance Program	93.767	FY 08	77
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	FY 08	11,691
Social Services Block Grant	93.667	FY 08	6,021
Social Services Block Grant	93.667	FY 08	62,822
			68,843
Total			\$ 598,690

<u>Basis of Presentation</u> – The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of Union County and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information on this schedule is presented in accordance with requirements of OMB Circular A-133, <u>Audits of States</u>, <u>Local Governments</u>, <u>and Non-Profit Organizations</u>. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Officials of Union County:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Union County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents and have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 2009. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Union County's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Union County's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Union County's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies, including deficiencies we consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Union County's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of Union County's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Union County's internal control. We consider the deficiencies in internal control described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Union County's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the significant deficiencies described above, we believe item II-A-08 is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Union County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of non-compliance or other matters that are described in Part IV of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the County's operations for the year ended June 30, 2008 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the County. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Union County's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. While we have expressed our conclusions on the County's responses, we did not audit Union County's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of Union County and other parties to whom Union County may report, including federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Union County during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

Oskaloosa, Iowa March 27, 2009

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the Officials of Union County:

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Union County, Iowa, with the types of compliance requirements described in U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008. Union County's major federal programs are identified in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Union County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Union County's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether non-compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Union County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on Union County's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Union County complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Union County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants agreements applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Union County's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Union County's internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the County's internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses as defined below.

A control deficiency in the County's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect non-compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Union County's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that non-compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the County's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material non-compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the County's internal control. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of Union County and other parties to whom Union County may report, including federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Oskaloosa, Iowa March 27, 2009

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Year Ended June 30, 2008

Part I: Summary of the Independent Auditor's Results:

- (a) Unqualified opinions were issued on the financial statements.
- (b) Significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements, including a material weakness.
- (c) The audit did not disclose any non-compliance which is material to the financial statements.
- (d) No material weaknesses in internal control over major programs were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.
- (e) An unqualified opinion was issued on compliance with requirements applicable to the major programs.
- (f) The audit disclosed no audit findings which were required to be reported in accordance with Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Section .510(a).
- (g) Major programs were as follows:
 - CFDA Number 97.036 Disaster Grants Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)
- (h) The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs was \$300,000.
- (i) Union County did not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Year Ended June 30, 2008

Part II: Findings Related to the Basic Financial Statements:

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were reported.

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES:

II-A-08 Financial Reporting – During the audit, we identified material amounts of receivables, payables, deferred revenue and capital asset additions not recorded in the County's financial statements. We also noted material differences in accumulated depreciation for capital assets. Adjustments were subsequently made by the County to properly include these amounts in the financial statements.

Recommendation – The County should implement procedures to ensure all receivables, payables, deferred revenue and capital asset additions are identified and included in the County's financial statements and that capital asset depreciation is properly calculated.

Response – We will review our current procedures to ensure the proper amounts are recorded in the financial statements in the future.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

II-B-08 General Ledger – We noted that disbursements for the Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund are entered into the County's general ledger when the checks clear the bank, rather than when the checks are written. At June 30, 2008, outstanding checks of \$39,951 and \$6,744 of checks written and cashed in June were not included in the general ledger. Adjustments were made to properly report these items in the financial statements.

Recommendation – All disbursements should be recorded in the general ledger when the checks are actually written.

Response – We will properly record all disbursements in the future.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Year Ended June 30, 2008

Part III: Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards:

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were reported.

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES:

No matters were reported.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Year Ended June 30, 2008

Part IV: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

IV-A-08 Certified Budget – Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2008 did not exceed the amounts budgeted in any County function. However, disbursements in the water grid department exceeded the amount appropriated.

Recommendation – Chapter 331.434(6) of the Code of Iowa authorizes the Board of Supervisors, by resolution, to increase or decrease appropriations of one office or department by increasing or decreasing the appropriation of another office or department as long as the service area budget is not increased. Such increases or decreases should be made before disbursements are allowed to exceed the appropriation.

Response – Appropriations will be watched more closely by the departments in the future.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- IV-B-08 Questionable Expenditures No expenditures were noted that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- IV-C-08 Travel Expense No expenditures of County money for travel expenses of spouses of County officials or employees were noted.
- IV-D-08 Business Transactions No business transactions between the County and County officials or employees were noted.
- IV-E-08 Bond Coverage Surety bond coverage of County officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of all bonds should be reviewed periodically to insure that the coverage remains adequate for current operations.
- IV-F-08 Board Minutes No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.
- IV-G-08 Deposits and Investments No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the County's investment policy were noted.
- IV-H-08 Resource Enhancement and Protection Certification The County properly dedicated property tax revenue to conservation purposes as required by Chapter 455A.19(1)(b) of the Code of Iowa in order to receive the additional REAP funds allocated in accordance with subsections (b)(2) and (b)(3).
- IV-I-08 County Extension Office The County Extension Office is operated under the authority of Chapter 176A of the Code of Iowa and serves as an agency of the State of Iowa. This fund is administered by an Extension Council separate and distinct from County operations and, consequently, is not included in Exhibits A or B.

Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2008 for the County Extension Office did not exceed the amount budgeted.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Year Ended June 30, 2008

Part IV: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting (continued):

IV-J-08 Financial Condition – The Special Revenue, Mental Health Fund had a negative fund balance of \$345,837 at June 30, 2008. In addition, the governmental activities had an unrestricted net assets deficit of \$129,836. During the year ended June 30, 2008, the Mental Health Fund deficit worsened by \$172,094 and the unrestricted net assets of the governmental activities decreased by \$709,452.

Recommendation – The County needs to investigate alternatives to return the Mental Health Fund and the governmental activities to sound financial conditions.

Response – We will work on restoring the Mental Health Fund and the governmental activities to sound financial conditions.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

IV-K-08 Credit Card Policy – We noted that the County has credit cards issued in the County's name but has no adopted policy or guidelines to control the usage of these credit cards.

Recommendation – The County should adopt a formal credit card policy defining guidelines as to usage, maximum limits, support documentation, and custody of the credit cards.

Response – We will adopt a credit card policy to address these items.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

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